



I hope everyone is staying safe and healthy in this small heat wave we have this week. We continue to monitor the updates to our health orders and prepare for easing regulations. We need to remain vigilant through this process and adhere to all orders and guidelines. We want to be steady and sturdy as we get back to a normal routine. Thanks for everything you do!

### FISCAL HEALTH/BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

I've had the opportunity to meet with many employees face to face to present a summary of the budget, answer questions, and discuss the fiscal health of the city. I want to thank everyone who submitted budget ideas, no idea is too small. I will continue to make my rounds in the coming weeks and look forward to meeting with you all soon. I encourage all employees to watch the April 28 budget workshop online [here](#) and to submit any questions or ideas you may have regarding the budget when I meet with your division or department.

### BUSINESS REOPENING GUIDANCE

During Monday's press conference the Governor announced gradual plans to move into Stage Two of his plan to reopen California. Stage Two would include lifting the Stay in Place orders for a few non-essential business places like clothing stores, florists, bookstores, sporting goods stores (all with curbside pick-up). It does not include offices, restaurants (seated dining) or shopping malls. We will continue to monitor the guidance provided by the County of San Diego and the State as we develop our own plans for our workforce.

### CITY SPONSORED EVENTS CANCELLED THROUGH JULY

Unfortunately, due to state and county directives the City will be cancelling city sponsored special events through the month of July. This includes the Summer Movies in the Park, NC Gets Active, the Community Breakfast, and Miss National City. Additionally, many co-sponsored event organizers have also cancelled or postponed events throughout the summer. We can't wait for the day when we can be together celebrating with our friends and families! Until then stay safe.

### PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK (May 3- May 9)

Public Service Recognition Week is celebrated the first week of May since 1985 to honor the men and women who serve our nation as federal, state, county and local government employees. I want to recognize each and every one of you for your hard work, dedication, and commitment of service to our community, particularly in light of the challenges presented by the COVID-19 crisis. The ability to be responsive, innovative, and effective depends on the outstanding performance of dedicated public servants like you. Thank you for serving the public and continuing to provide excellent customer service to the residents of National City.